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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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Office Action Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/709,102	CHANG ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Andrew T. Sever	2851

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-6 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-6 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 14 April 2004 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 - 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 - 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____ .
3) <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date ____ .	5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
	6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: ____ .

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Uchiyama (US 5,829,855.)

Uchiyama teaches in figure 1 a rear projection display device, comprising:

An image generator (parts 9,8,11, 12, 13A, 13B, and 14), providing image beams;

A reflector (15B), mounted at a front of the image generator to reflect the image beams onto a screen (3); and a light shield (18), mounted between the reflector (15b) and the screen (3). (The light shield in the closed position is positioned between the reflector (15b) and the screen (the screen is in front of it while the reflector is behind it.) As taught in column 5 lines 26-30 the shield 18 is for blocking leakage of light from the light source.)

With regards to applicant's claim 2:

It is clearly mounted to the housing (17 and 20).

With regards to applicant's claim 3:

By inspection when closed, the shield is level with the locking mechanism 5 of the screen and therefore beneath the transmitting part of the screen.

With regards to applicant's claim 4:

Clearly the light shield (18) can be moved from an open position to a closed and is therefore adjustable.

With regards to applicant's claim 5:

A person adjusts the light shield by reaching through the hole made by open the screen.

With regards to applicant's claim 6:

The light shield inherently is made of a material to absorb light.

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure:

US 6,598,976 to Westort et al. teaches in figure 2 a rear projection device that includes a light shield (24) that absorbs beams of light (22) from an image source rectangular box labeled 6 in figure 1, to block scattered beams that are to be projected onto the screen (8).

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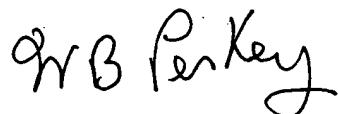
US 6,767,099 to Perkins et al. teaches in figure 4 a light shield 120.

US 5,886,818 to Summer et al. teaches baffles in figure 1.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andrew T. Sever whose telephone number is 571-272-2128. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Judy Nguyen can be reached on 571-272-2258. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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